



# Cottonwood Heights

## Weekly Update for the Week of March 26-April 4, 2017

### City Manager

1. Sent April Newsletter to printer. Already compiling content for May.
2. Updating website, especially the Butlerville Days page with new info, forms and links.
3. Writing and editing questionnaire for an Arts Council ZAP grant (for Kim Pedersen).
4. John and Bryce attended the Utah City Managers Meetings in St. George on April 3-5.
5. The Mayor and City Council members joined John and Bryce in St. George for the Utah League of Cities and Towns meetings April 5-7.

### Administrative Services

#### Arts Council

1. The ZAP grant, which is our biggest funding source besides the city, has been submitted. (Hooray! Keep your fingers crossed.) I am working on the cultural facilities grant for lighting at Butler Middle, which is due the end of April.
2. We had a great meeting last week with Butler Middle Staff and District Representatives. JUST
3. We have had many emails and interest in the power pole project, and are excited to get that underway. Entries will be due May 15.
4. May 4<sup>th</sup> is the Rocky Mountain Strings (who is based in Cottonwood Heights) and One Voice Children's Choir concert. Please make plans to attend! It is free, but does have a suggested donation amount of \$3.00-\$5.00 per person. All proceeds will go to these groups who are traveling internationally this summer.
5. The Annie production is also ramping up, and auditions will be held the end of April.

#### Emergency Preparedness

1. Set up triage ribbon party's with several groups. Hope to have the final batch up ribbons ready for distribution here in the next 10 days.
2. Reviewed historical trouble spots for flooding to familiarize myself with locations.
3. Sent several long and short articles related to flood preparation and wildfire prevention to Dan. Will start placing in newsletter and on web.
4. Discussed with county their ability to provide sandbag materials which we will then assemble during our Shakeout exercise April 22.
5. Continued updating position binders for EOC.

## Police

1. This letter was recently received by Chief Russo (Names and pictures have been redacted to protect citizen's privacy).

*Its taken me far to long to send a much deserved 'Thank you' to the officers that responded to incident 17X00XXXX.*

*They had an opportunity to make an arrest based on the circumstances of that incident. Instead they chose to work with my sister in law and us to help get my nephew to a safe environment. My family will forever be grateful to those officers for seeing the 'bigger' picture of what was going on.*

*My nephew is living with my family now and we have legal guardianship over him. He is doing great as you can see!*

*At least one of the officers watched him for an hour or so on the previous incident that week while my brother was being interviewed. Thank you for all you guys do!*

*I know (as the wife of an officer) that you don't get nearly enough acknowledgement for all the positive that you do. If you ever wonder if the job is worth it, remember this picture. I have no doubt you helped us give this little guy a fighting chance in life.*

*Thank you again,*

*(Name Redacted to Protected to Protect Privacy)*

2. Citizens Academy this week. Check out this great K-9 video prepared by CH Police Dept.

<https://youtu.be/xsdDC92zS40>

## Engineering

1. Met with FEMA State National Flood Plain Coordinator to review Cottonwood Heights NFIP program and ordinances. We reviewed the permit process used to evaluate all impacts to the community's regulated floodplains. A snapshot of our community shows that Cottonwood Heights has 54 flood insurance policies in place, which provides for \$11,925,400 in flood insurance. There has 1 property that filed for a claim with losses of \$1,000.
2. The Striping Project bid opening was last week. Peck Striping was the low bidder, with a price of \$335,959.<sup>40</sup>
3. Construction is moving forward on Phase II of the public works yard. The contractor has started site grading and the realignment of the sewer. We coordinated with Cottonwood Sewer District to upsize the proposed pipe to 15-inches to avoid future construction of the new access road. Cottonwood Sewer will reimburse the city the difference between the bid price and the price of the upsized sewer line.
4. We submitted letters to Wasatch Front Regional Council requesting an amendment to the Regional Transportation Plan to include our Roundabout Project on Bengal Blvd and the Intersection Project at Creek Road & Highland Drive. If the amendment is approved that will allow these projects to be eligible for Local Corridor Preservation Funds.

- a. We also requested an amendment to the RTP to change Highland Drive Widening (Fort Union Blvd to Creek Road) from Phase III to Phase I and to add Fort Union Blvd Widening (3000 East to Wasatch Boulevard) to the Phase I RTP. Getting these projects added to Phase I of the RTP will make them eligible for future Local Corridor Preservation Funds and future STP Grant Applications.
5. We have two traffic counters out on Enchanted Hills Drive that will be picked up later this week. We will be analyzing the data and have traffic data ready to present next week.
6. Sewer construction at the Public Works Yard is continuing. When the sewer connection point was uncovered last week, the contractor discovered that the existing manhole invert was a thick concrete footing. They had to core the connection through 2-3 feet of concrete; however, it did not delay the project. I have attached a picture of the sewer construction (see picture below).



## Safety Moment

You recently received an email informing you that we will be issuing employee badges that also activate the door locks to City Hall. We ask that all employees update their badge and have it on them during work hours in case they need to be shown to a citizen or another employee that may not recognize you. The executive staff has discussed allowing everyone to keep the key fobs for your convenience if you want it. Unfortunately, we live in a day where security and vigilance is imperative so please don't be offended if someone asks for your credentials. It is there for your safety and there's.



## Photos



*Figure 1- Wide angle view of the public works yard.*



*Figure 2- Grubbing and topsoil removal for the new public works access road.*





*Figure 3- Near the top of the access road circle where the road enters the UDOT yard.*



*Figure 4- Sewer lateral connection for the city public works yard.*



*Figure 5- Crews cleaning the street sweeper debris into the holding/drying bed.*



*Figure 6- Looking west on the future public works access road North of the PW job trailer.*





*Figure 7- The stain on top of the concrete wall around city hall was flaking and peeling. Layton Const. had crews on scene the next day power washing the wall clean and new stain has now been applied.*

